Expansion of capacities of IDPL and HAL

2873. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI; Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what was the original installed ca pacity for Doxycycline, Erthromycine of IDPL and what was of Penicillin for both IDPL and HAL;

(b) when was the expansion in capa city made and at what cast;

(c) what was the value of plant and machinery installed for each drug and what are the additional amounts spent;

(d) How often the fresh strain taken in respect of Penicillin at what cost and the source of the strain; and

(e) by what percentage the production increased or the cost come down as a result of the adoption of the strain in regard to Penicillin?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI L VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) information in respect of IDPL is given in the statement attached. *(See* below) . Similar information in respect of HAL in regard to Penicillin is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) and (e) IDPL have stated that the cost of strain cannot be separately identified. The production increased from 130 MMU to 230 MMU.

Statement

Item	Origina 1 installed capacity	Expansion of Capacity		Gross Block (investment on Plant and Machinery) as on 31-3-1985
		When Expansion of capacity	Expanded capacity made	
				Rs./Lakhs)
(i) Doxycycline	5 MT	—		115.02
(ii) Erythromycin	36 MT	—	—	205.48
(iii) Penicillin.	130 MMU 1080	October, MMU	230	445.11

Poor quality of Vitamin BI of IDPL

2874. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state;

(a) how many complaints were receiv ed about the poor quality of Vitamin BI supplied by IDPL;

(b) what action was taken in each case and what were the causes of such poor quality and

(c) what steps have been taken to improve the quality of Vitamin BI produced by IDPL?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) IDPL has reported that during 1987 and 1988 only one complaint was received by it and that after testing, the material was found to confirm to LP. Standards,

(c) Production of Vitamin Bl is according to statutory specifications of LP. and as such the question of further improvement in it$_s$ quality does not arise.